APOLOGIES TO BYRNES.

POLICE BOARD REGRETS THE PUB. LICATION OF M'GREGOR'S ATTACK.

h Commissioner Publicly Donies Having eted on the Chief's Conduct-There Berms to Be Fun Ahead-Meantime the Police Force In Greatly Undersparred. That Police Headquarters was divided into two hostile camps was evident yesterday to any

one who visited there. On one side were the Commissioners—at least three of them—and on the other side Chief of Police Thomas Byrnes. The three Commissioners who are said to be hestile to Byrnes are President Roosevelt, Avery D. Andrews, and Andrew D. Parker. Col. Fred Grant is said to be inclined to be neutral but to be enjoying the fun of the fight. He is, of course, loyal to his associates.

Chief Byrnes sits in his office and attends to business, and is supposed to be relying upon his legal rights to keep him in his place, with the reins of power in his hands. What forces the Commissioners are relying upon has not been disclosed. They can, of course, if he refuses to retire, make his place uncomfortable for him. Cel. Alex. S. Bacon, in a speech on Friday night, said that Byrnes must go, and that the on the inside and Dr. Parkhurst on the outside. When the smoke of the first engagement cleared away yesterday morning it became a matter of clear memory that Dr. Parkhurst had only recently paid several mysterious visits to the marble building in Mulberry street. Then it began to be said that it was the Zella Nicolaus case that had brought him there.

Chief Byrnes was the first of the principals upon the scene yesterday. He arrived at headquarters at 7 o'clock, some time earlier than is bla custom. About 10 o'clock President Roosevelt and Commissioners Grant and Andrews wilt and Commissioners Grant and Andrews arrived. Each went to fils own room. At 11 o'clock Mr. Parker arrived. Chief Byrnes left his room almost immediately after this and went to Commissioner Parker's room. It was understood that he had been sent for. Shortly afterward Col. Grant joined Mr. Parker and Chief Byrnes. Then Col. Grant came out and went to President Roosevelt's room. Chief Byrnes remained closeted with Commissioner Parker until 12:10 o'clock. After he came out President Roosevelt and Commissioner Andrews Joined Commissioner Parker. This conference did not end until 1:30 o'clock. Atthat hour President Roosevelt went to his own offices. A few minutes later Chief Byrnes was again sent for. He went to Mr. Parker. Mr. Andrews, and Col. Grant for a few minutes was again sent for. He went to Mr. Parker. Mr. Andrews, and Col. Grant for a few minutes. Every one of the Commissioners was questioned afterward about the subject of all of these conferences, as was also Chief Byrnes.

"I have a right to go and see a Commissioner in his office, haven't 1?" was Byrnes's answer, and President Roosevelt simply said in his emphatic manner:

"I neither affirm nor deny any of the stories arrived. Each went to Ills own room. At 11

phatic manner:
"I neither affirm nor deny any of the stories which are being told about our doings. All that is being said is said upon the responsibility of the persons who say it, and none of them knows how near the truth he is or how far away."

The Commissioners did not leave the building until nearly 3 o'clock. They went away all together, and all of them except Col. Grant appeared to be under some nervous excitement. Col. Grant was smiling with his peculiar smile, which appears to abide only in the upper part of his eyes.

his eyes.

As the party walked up Mulberry street toward Bleecker on its way to Broadway. Commissioner Parker was talking and gesticulating with his haeds and arms, and President Roosevelt and Commissioner Andrews were both listening and talking at the same time.

Just before they left they made public the following formal statement:

The members of the Police Board, having had their attention called to various statements in the New Tork press, especially of this date, placing in their mouths statements derogatory to or reflecting upon Mr.

mouths statements derogatory to or reflecting upon Mr. Thomas Byrnes, Chief of Police, as having been made by individual members of the Board to representatives of the press, do each unqualifiedly disavow and deny the making of any such statements or its author-ization. Each of the Commissioners deeply regrets the unauthorized publication in the press of this date of an anonymous and slanderous communication filed

at the Board meeting of May 24, 1805. That communication was received simply because all communications to the Board are received and THEODORE ROOSEVELT,
A. D. PARKER,
A. D. ANDREWS,
PRED D. GRAST,

When this was made known the friends of Chief Brues were jubilant. They declared that the Chief had gone for the Commissioners, tead the riot act to them, and forced them to an apologetic act. The communication reliecting upon thef Byrnes, which is referred to in the statement of the Commissioners, is the letter signed "Thomas McGregor" which was received at the Board meeting on Friday. It is true that it was not specifically given out for publication, but is also true that it was openly handed around the meeting table for the newspaper men to copy with the full knowledge of the Commissioners, and was treated in the same manner as other communications with no injunction of privacy.

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In the mean time there is need that the Police Board get its Civil Service Board organized and at work, and the members resultze this. The re-tirement of inspector Williams leaves only one working inspector. This is Coolin, who at present has charge of all three of the inspection districts in the city. Under the new Bi-Partisan law the department is to have six Inspectors, Inspector McLaughlin, who is now on trial for extortion, never did any district work, his duties being confined to the detective bureau. It's not unitsely, though, that the Commissioners will in the very near future abolish the present inspection district system.

istrict system. day the department is short nine Captains. Four more Captains have put in applications to be retired. These are pending. In addition to these, five other Captains are under suspension. At the present time fourteen precincts are in summand of acting Captains. Beside the large number of vacancies among-Inspectors, Capitains, and Sergeants and rounds men, the department is short 300 patrolmen.

COMING CITY MAGISTRATES.

The Politicians Have Picked Out a Few ut Strong Says Nothing Yet.

Mayor Strong went home early yesterday, taking with him the applications and endorsement- of something less than 300 candidates for appointment as City Magistrate and Justice of Special Sessions. Just before he left the City Hall, Police Justice Taintor called and presented to Gol. Strong a bulky petition praying that he may be appointed one of the new magistrates.

I thends of the Mayor say that it is his purpose to dissors of all the places by the latter part of the week and get rid of the bother which the whole matter is causins him. There are fourten matter of them are already mortgaged. Of the five Justices of Special Sessions to be appointed the politicians are willing to bet that there of them will be Police Justice Joseph M. Dend. William Travers Jerome, and Leroy B. Craire. Then of the nine city Magistrates they are ready to risk their money on the appointment of Police Justice Taintor, and say that the odds are not very heavy against the retention of Police Justice Meade on the bench. Hall, Police Justice Taintor called and presented

APPROVED BY MAYOR STRONG. The Bills Which He Thinks Will Benefit New York City.

ALBANY, May 25.—The Governor has received Senator Wolff's bill to exempt the Northeastern Dispensary of the city of New York from ceran assessments, and Senator Guy's bill authorfring the issue of \$25,000 worth of bonds to defray the expenses of building the 138th street bridge over the Mott Haven Canal, with the afor's certificates of disapproval.
The Mayor also sent up as accepted Assemyman Blake's bill exempting the New York
others' Home of the Sisters of Misericorde
om tartish as long as it is used exclusively
of charitable purposes: Assemblyman Pavey's
ock bill, to allow the Dock Hoard by a unaniock without employing the contract system: work without employing the contraction of its work without employing the contract system; the bill in relation to the closing of vertain streets; the Robertson bill, extending the corporate existence of the Exempt Firemen's benefit fund, and Assemblyman Pavey's bill relative to the publication of the Cdy Record.

WARING EXPECTS TO STICK, Though the Present Rate of Expenditure

Would Land Him \$950,000 Short. Auditor Lyon submitted to the Comptroller esterday his report on the prospective deficit for the year in the Street Cleaning Department at the present rate of expenditure, as ascertained from the examination of the books rdered by the special investigating committee

refered by the special investigating committee of the Board of Estimate. The Comptroller and the report would not be made public until stier the meeting of the committee on Monday. It was learned, however, that the prospective sefect shown would be about \$990,000, as reported in The Sun yesterday.

In view of the renewed rumor that his resignation had been presented or asked for, Col. Waring made this statement yesterday:

I will say once for all that I have not restinated my office, that I have never thought of resigning it, that I have never supposed, and do not how suppose, that the Mayor has the least of asking me to resign it, and that, finally, there is no reason why I should resign it."

DAVID J. SOLOMAN DEAD.

Bied in an Asylum, Where He Was Sent First by His Brother, Then by His Wife, David J. Soloman, the necktle manufacturer rho was committed to the Bloomingdale Insane Asylum on Aug. 8, 1893, on the eve of his wedding to Miss Clara Perry Thomas, who had been in his employ for thirteen years, and who was subsequently released after a bitter legal struggle, died on Friday of parceis in the State Insane Asylum at Middletown. He had been committed to the institution six weeks ago by Judge McAdam, at the request of his wife.

trouble between the Soloman brothers, Henry and David-originating, David always claimed, over his expressed determination to marry Miss Thomas, who was a Christian-kept the courts busy during August and September of 1893. Henry was determined to keep David in the asylum, while Miss Thomas was equally determed that he should have his freedom. The oloman brothers were in partnership at 547 Broadway, and were considered one of the most prosperous firms in the trade. There was never any difference of opinion between the brothers until David, who had a two-thirds interest in the business, began to attend auction sales and make reckless purchases. He made one purchase of \$31,000 worth of old-fashioned silk, which was made the basis of the application to have him committed to Bloomingdale. It was not, however, until David announced his engagement to Miss Thomas that proceedings were commenced.

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Aug. 8 was the day set for the ceremony. During the forenoon of that day David was arrested, and on complaint of his brother, who swore that David had paresis, the latter was committed to the asylum. David's lawyer made a desperate effort to secure his release so that the wedding might go on, but his efforts were unsuccessful. Then came the announcement from the lawyer and Miss Thomas that David was perfectly sane and that the insanity charge had been trumped up simply to prevent the marriage.

This Henry Soloman emphatically denied: but later David himself made a statement in which he said that his brother had selected a wife for him—a young Hebrew woman of estimable family—but that he declined to consider marriage with her on account, David said, his brother had had him locked up in Bloomingdale.

Miss Thomas. On this account, David said, his brother had had him locked up in Bloomingdale.

Miss Thomas kept up the fight while her lover was in the asylum, and early in September she succeeded in getting Justice Ingraham to issue a writ of habeas corpus for his production in court. An examination was then ordered, and on Sept. 22, 1893, it took place before a commission, consisting of Charles H. Daniels and Dr. Paul Allen, and a Sheriff's Jury. The verdict was a complete surprise. Dr. Graene M. Hammond, Dr. Charles H. Daniels and Dr. Paul Allen, and a Sheriff's Jury. The verdict was a complete surprise. Dr. Graene M. Hammond, Dr. Charles W. Brown, Superintendent Samuel B. Lyons of Bloomingdale, and Dr. Charles E. Atwood of the same institution declared that Soloman had paresis, but, despite this evidence, the jury prononneed him sane.

There was a seene in court when the jury brought in this verdict, Miss Thomas falling on her lover's neck and crying with joy. Immediate preparations were made for the elerks and salesmen in the

RAN AND WAS TAKEN FOR A THIEF. O'Connell Was Fleeing from a Jealous Hus-

Frank O'Connell, a tall, slender young man, was a prisoner in the Harlem Police Court yesterday after a night of adventure in Harlem. He says he lives at 384 Brook avenue. A jealous husband chased him out of a house on 126th street and a woman intercepted him in his

flight and had him locked up as a burglar. A month ago Emma Webber hired rooms at 245 East 120th street for herself and her hus-245 East 130th street for nerself and her husband band. She told the landlord that her husband worked in Brooklyn and seldom came home. Mrs. Webber's husband recently got out of the Eric penitentiary, where he had been sent for sending questionable literature through the mails. His wife refused to live with him and ran away. He traced her on Friday night to the rooms in 120th street.

He burst open the door, and O'Connell jumped out of the rear window and ran for his life. At

out of the rear window and ran for his life. At 241 East 126th street O'Connell bolted through an open doorway and was promptly collared by Mrs. Dors Koster, who threw her arms about him and yelled "Burglars!" "Thieves!" "Police!" A neighbor summoned a policeman, who arrested O'Connell.
The prisoner explained matters to Justice The prisoner explained matters to Justice Koch yesterday and was discharged. Mr. and Mrs. Webber have disappeared from 245 East

ELEVEN JURORS ONLY.

126th street.

And of These Only Two Sworn Yet, to Try

Justice Barrett held court from 9:30 o'clock until noon yesterday in the trial of Inspector tortion. The entire session was spent in trying to get a twelfth juror, and without success. At the moment of 12 o'clock Justice Barrett announced that court had adjourned, and he requised to hear a motion that Col. James was about to make because of the legal holidny intervening. A fresh panel of jurors will be on hand on Monday. The jurors aiready sworn are David P. Miller and John H. Ruckle. The nine provisional jurors are Mark Roylance, Arnold W. Schlichte, Charles A. Spolford, Godfrey Schoen, Henry Drowne, Henry W. Houston, Harry D. Howell, William P. Parr, and John C. Wcaver. All the eleven are at the Broadway Central Hotel. tortion. The entire session was spent in trying

Mistook Subpones for Checks, Perhaps, Simon Pitzig, a 14-year-old east side boy, entered the office of Assistant District Attorney Battle yesterday accompanied by his mother. He called to demand \$200, because, as he explained, he had been a witness in the case of Policeman Williamson, who died after being assaulted in Eldridge street three weeks ago. Simon said that two other boys who witnessed the assault had received \$300 and \$500 checks from somebody for testifying before the Coroner. Simon thought the checks bore the name of Coroner Hoeber, Mr. Battle sent Simon to see Coroner Hoeber, but he was not in, and the boy said he would call on the Coroner on Monday. Mr. Battle thinks the boy was the victim of a joke. plained, he had been a witness in the case of

Sank the Schooner Flying Dutchman, GREENPORT, L. I., May 25,-The big menhaden steamer George F. Morse, while docking here this afternoon, ran into the schooner Fly ing Dutchman, almost cutting her in two amid-ships. Capt. Macomber of the Morse gave the signal to reverse the engine, but it caught on the centre, and the two vessels collided. The schooner was sunk. She was owned by John Leilman.

Heavy rains were reported yesterday all along the South Atlantic and Guif coasts. At New Orleans 8.04 inches fell in twenty-four hours, 2.50 at Mobile, 2.22 at Charleston, and 1.30 at Wilmington. Showers were reported in nearly all the central and Northwest states. The only sections having comparatively fair weather were the eastern part of the lake regions, the New England States, and the northern half of the dimensions on the South Atlantic coast moving east ward with slight energy. A second storm of larger area and more force was moving eastward over the upper lake region. This disturbance was attended by showers, preceded by warmer and followed by colder weather. The temperature over the Dakotas, Minnesota, and Montana fell from 6° to 12° and again ouched freezing point, with killing frost over north-

In this city the day was fair, clouding up toward night; average humidity, 75 per cent.; wind easterly, average velocity 12 miles an hour; highest official temperature 67", lowest 56"; barometer corrected to read o sea level at 8 A. M., 30.25; S P. M., 30.17.



WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR SUNDAY.
For Massachusette, Rhode Island and Connecticut. portion; southerly winds, becoming southwesterly, For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jorsey, rain;

FIREMAN FALLS AT DRILL.

AN ACCIDENT MARS THE EXER
CIBES AT RIVERSIDE DRIVE.

After Mayor Strong Had Fresented the Medals to the Winners, and While the Medals to the Winners, and While the Medals to the Winners, and While the Skill as Life Savers, Fireman Curiey Falls Three Stories—Will Probably Die.

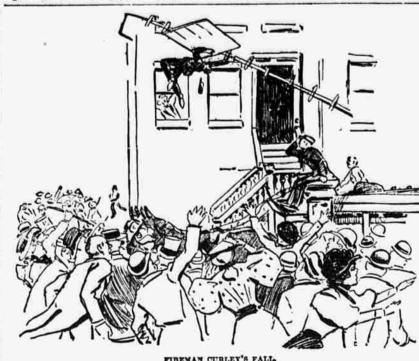
Riverside Drive in the vicinity of Seventysixth street was crowded yesterday afternoon, the occasion being the presentation of medals to members of the Fire Department meriting such distinction by reason of particularly efficient service or signal bravery. Mayor Strong made

setory fiat house at 2,278 Seventh avenue. The fire started in the cellar and spread rapidly, After it was supposed that all the tenants were after it was supposed that the fifth floor. Trees in front of the house after it was supposed that the fifth floor. Trees in front of the house after it was supposed that the fifth floor. Trees in front of the house a

distinction by reason of particularly efficient service or signal bravery. Mayor Strong made the presentations, there was a fine parade of the fire companies, and the affair was a thorough success, with only one marring feature—the serious injury of a fireman who, in giving an exhibition of ladder handling, fell from the window of a house to the stone pavement, a distance of about twenty feet.

Two battalions took part in the parade, commanded by Assistant Chiefs John Welch and William Shaw. They comprised ten engine companies, two hook and ladder companies, a water tower, and the fireboat New Yorker, which stood out in the river opposite the reviewing stand, a small and gayly decorated struction.

der with great dexterity, and was coming down from the top story for the last time when the accident occurred which may cost him his life. As he was coming from the third-story window to the second the scaling ladder swung to one side, and a fireman below called to Curley: "Look out there; your ladder isn't fastened firm!"



ture at Riverside Drive and Seventy-sixth street. Next to it, and a little behind, was a large stand, which long before the exercises began was crowded to its utmost capacity. The street for more than a block in either direction was filled with people, who spread out upon the convenient vantage ground of bluffs and hillocks. In the reviewing stand were Mayor Strong, Fire Commissioners La Grange, Sheffield, and Ford, Police Justice Ryan, Commissioner of Charities Faure, and Col. Emmons

The seven firemen to be honored, escorted by a company of fifty picked men led by Chief Bonner, marched to the reviewing stand and halted facing it. They were John Walker and Dennis Ryer, winners of the Bennett medals; John H. White and Charles Cruger, winners of the Stephenson medals, and Thomas O'Hearn, Edward G. Galloway, and John P. Hows. As the men halted the Mayor rose and took off his hat, to which they responded by advancing very near to the stand and saluting. Then his Hono

"I am very much pleased with the task im posed upon me on this occasion of acknowlindebtedness which the city feels toward them. There is no one municipal department which renders to our 2,000,000 of people more loyal and noble service than yours. We are gathered here to-day to do honor to a few of the men who have earned a well-deserved fame by snatching their fellow men from the jaws of death.

"Our army and our navy are called upon to do the work of destruction. That is their duty. It is your nobler part to do the work of saving. We owe and pay you our homage for the mag-nificent manner in which you have performed this duty all along the line, from the Chief down, on all perilous occasions. To you who have been selected by the department to receive these marks of hone; I give them with a sense of

marks of honor. I give them with a sense of great pleasure."

The Mayor then presented the medals, reciting the circumstances under which the recipients had proved themselves worth; of the distinction. John Walker of Hook and Ladder 21, winner of the James Gordon Bennett medal for 1893, distinguished himself on Dec. 27, 1893, in a first at 22 Cherry street, when he crawled through blinding smoke and rescued Delia Tully, who was unconsclous on the stairway between the second and third floors, Two days later Walker was one of four firemen who rescued a man and three children from an attic at 83 Mott street when their escape was cut off by the flames. They brought the imperilled persons down on ladders with the hose playing on them to protect them from the flames.

Dennis Ryer, to whom the Bennett medal for 1894 was presented, won it at a fire in the five-

JUMPED IN FRONT OF A TRAIN.

Under a Locomotive's Wheels.

the cowcatcher struck him. He was cut to

PROF. WATSON INSANE.

He to Well Known as an Educator and

Author of School Books,

ELIZABETH, May 25 .- Prof. J. Madison Wat-

on has been adjudged insane, and papers have

been issued committing him to an asylum. He

and been suffering with melancholia for several

days, and early in the week became a raving

Prof. Watson is the author of a series of

widely used school books. He has been also in-

winciy used school books. He has been also in-terested in scientific research. He was a mem-ber of the State Sanitary Board, the State Board of Education, and an officer of the State Forestry Association. He was an ardent advo-cate of the system of calisthenics now gen-erally used in the public schools, and it was largely through his efforts that the system was adopted.

Toledo and Ann Arbor to Be Sold Again.

DETROIT, Mich., May 25.-Judge Swan has

made a modification of his decree under which

the Toledo, Ann Arbor and North Michigan

Railroad was sold. The new order sets aside

the sale of the road and directs Harry Blanchard

Lehigh Valley Again a Disturber.

The negotiations for the formation of an agreement on west-bound freight similar to

that existing in respect to east-bound freight

have been temporarily checked by the attitude of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company. This company made a claim at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trunk Line Association last week for an increased percentage of the business. Until this demand is disposed of no agreement can be made.

woman who had fainted on seeing Curley fall. She soon recovered and went away. The accident in the tree was the breaking of a rotten limb, whereby several men were brought to the ground heavily, but without serious injury. Three ambulances came after Curley, and one of them took him to the Presbyterian Hospital. The ambulance surgeon said that a number of ribs were broken and that there might be mortal spinal injuries.

When the Mayor had returned to the stand the parade of the firemen passed by in review. Then another alarm was turned in and the companies came up the road at a furious pace, with belis clanging and whistles blowing to the great delight of the crowd, which cheered enthusiastically. An exhibition of water throwing by the fireboat and the water tower concluded the day's performance.

A Jersey City Bartender Found Death Reduced Trolley Speed Brings a Raise-

As an east-bound passenger train on the New-General Manager Barton of the Brooklyn Eleark and New York Railroad was approaching vated Railroad made the announcement yesterday that the wages of the employees of the Van Horne street, Jersey City, at 0:45 A. M. road (with the exception of the engineers and office clerks), which were reduced ten per cent. standing near the track. The man was apparently waiting for the train to pass, so that he in October, 1893, on account of the competition might cross the tracks, and the engineer gave no of the trolley roads, would be restored to the old special attention to him. When the locomotive | rates on June 1. The notice was accompanied was within about fifty feet of the crossing the with this explanation:
The officers of the company believe that no danger man jumped on the track and stood there until

exists that your wages will again be reduced, because the earnings of the company are assured to permit of fair wages, so long as the surface of the streets of krooklyn are not used for rapid transit purposes; and its because of the cesastion of rapid transit on the surface of the streets that the company has been able to fulfill its promise made to its employees, viz. that whenever a surplus, above fixed charges and operating expenses, shall have been earned wages would be restored. exists that your wages will again be reduced, becau

pieces.

Two young men who saw the occurrence said the man was Charles J. Gill of 221 Communipaw avenue. A letter addressed to Charles J. Gill, found in the dead man's pocket, confirmed the identification. The train was delayed about ten minutes. Gill was 32 years old and unmarried. He had been employed as a bartender in Hatfield's saloon in Communipaw avenue until three weeks ago. Since then he had been idle. restored.

About 700 employees will get the benefit of the increase of wages.

President Uhimann also announced that as soon as the new station at the bridge has been completed the company will provide two special cars for funerals to the cemeteries on the lines of the road. An elevator will be constructed to transfer the coffins to the train.

BROOKLYN TROLLEY MEN OBJECT.

The Low Rate of Speed Causes Talk of Trouble on the Atlantic Avenue Bond. There is a kick among the motormen and conductors who took the places of the strikers on the Atlantic Avenue Railroad in Brooklyn, and there are threats of another tie-up. The trouble s over the reduction in the regular cars and the introduction of "trippers." Many of the mea on the latter cars, it is said, can only make from on the latter cars, it is said, can only make from 30 to 50 cents a day.

Already a delegation representing the employees on the Bergen street line have presented their grievances to Superintendent Quinn. The company contends that as long as the ordinance compelling a six-mile rate of speed is in force no change can be made in the number of 'trippers."

K. OF L. OFFICES IN WASHINGTON. The New Building to to Pace the North the sale of the road and directs Harry Blanchard to advertise and sell it over again. The first sale of Toledo Junction, May 12, was made to a representative of the mortgage bondholders of the corporation. Under the new order Mr. Blanchard has been directed to divide the assets of the company into four parts, consisting of two transports. Ann Arbor Nos. 1 and 2, the bridges and rolling stock, and the real estate and right of way. The new sale of the road is to take place at Toledo July 2.

Washington, May 25.—The project of transferring the headquarters of the Knights of Labor to Washington seems to be on the of realization. During the last week the Executive Committee have been here considering the project and selecting a site. They decided upon a lot facing the north front of the Capitol. A permit has been secured and the contract for the erection of a handsome office building has been let. Ground will be broken on Monday morning.

A Boy's Skull Fractured by a Horse's Kick, Eight-year-old Fred B. Brothers of Greenwood wenue and East Fifth street, Brooklyn, while playing yesterday in a vacant lot in East Second street, was kicked in the head by a horse. His skull was fractured. He was taken to the Seney Hospital.

JOHN A. MORRIS VERY ILL.

THE OWNER OF MORRIS PARK STRICKEN AT HIS TEXAS BANCH.

atest Reports Say that He to Resting Quietly, but He Always Feared Apoplexy -A Sketch of the New Yorker Who Went to England with Ten Broeck and Won the Cambridgeshire with Prioress-Morrts Park, His Toxas Ranch, and Breeding Stude in Maryland and England, Together with His Horses in Training, Have Been Valued as High as \$5,000,000

John A. Morris, the principal owner of the Morris Park race track, is seriously ill at his ranch in Kerrville, Tex., although the latest reports of his condition are encouraging. He has for some time suffered severely from rheumatism, and in December last he decided to take a trip to the South for the benefit of his health. From this city he went directly New Orleans, where he had once



lived. After several months spent there his health was not improved and he was advised to try another change of climate. He left for Kerrville a week ago yesterday, and the news received from there was of an encouraging nature up to Friday morning, when Mrs. Morris received at her home in West Chester telegram saying that he had had an attack resembling apoplexy and was dangerously ill. Mrs. Morris and her eldest son, Alfred Hennen, at once made preparations to go to Kerrville. Before they left at 4 o'clock they received news that Mr. Morris's condition was more favorable, and on Friday night two more telegrams were received in West Chester stating that he was still improving. Yesterday afternoon a despatch was received at the Morris Park club house to the effect that Mr. Morris was thought to be a little better than on Friday.

"Look out there; your ladder isn't fastened firm!"
Curley waited until the ladder had awung back. Then he stepped into the second-story window. Crouched upon the wooden platform and leaning out, he endeavored to unfasten the hook of the scaling ladder from the window above, and had just succeeded after some difficulty when a great cry went up from the crowd as the platform was seen to titt. The freman made's desperate grasp at the window ledge, but missed it, and he fell about twenty feet to the stone pavement below, the platform falling near him, and the scaling ladder clattering down near the horses hitched to the truck. The horses started to run, but were caught. John A. Morris is a son of Francis Morris, who was famous among racing men of his generation, and from him the son inherited a leaning toward the turf. When Francis Morris sent

was famous among racing men of his generation, and from him the son inherited a leaning toward the turf. When Francis Morris sent Prior, Prioress, and other horses to England in 1860 in charge of Richard Ten Broeck, John A. Morris, then a lad of eighteen or thereabouts, went along, and it was said he acted as commissioner and placed most of the money his father wagered on his representatives. When abroad young Morris saw all that was worth seeing of English and French racing of that time, and he was responsible for his father buying Eclipse and bringing him to this country. Upon his return to America Francis Morris concluded that his son had seen enough of the turf, and placed him in the office of a steamship line, plying between New York and San Francisco.

He remained at this vocation until the close of the war, when he went to New Orleans and became interested in the Louisiana Lottery Company. At the death of his father, who raced a few horses in the all scarlet, Mr. Morris determined to launchout into the sport in much the same fashion as his father had when a young man. He had his own ideas of racing, and of blood lines, and it was his ambition to found the greatest race track and to establish the most complete racing stud in this country. His eldest son, Alfred Hennen Morris, was as a youth more or less of an invalid, and it was his father's chief aim in building the magnificent track in Westchester county, now known as Morris Park, to give his boy something that would keen him outdoors and arouse his father's the father and in the world, and when it was complete dound in the world, and when it was completed John A. Morris expressed his satisfaction.

Personally John A. Morris is the most companionable of men, and those who know him well are always ready to fight his battles. In person he is of portly build, standing about 5 feet 9 inches in height and weighing probably 225 pounds. Some fifteen years ago, while in the Boston Club in New Orleans, he had a sort of fainting spell, and was advised by his phys him, and the scaling ladder clattering down near the horses hitched to the truck. The horses started to run, but were caught.

Curley landed, with outspread arms, upon his back. For a moment he struggled desperately to rise, and then sank back unconscious. A score of policemen and firemen surrounded him and carried him out from the crowd, which rushed forward into the street. A net was brought from one of the tenders, and in this Curley was carried back into the house from which he had fallen. Probabiv 2,000 persons saw him fall, and many of them turned and left the place. A number of women went into hysterics, and some person or persons sent in three ambulante calls. Mayor Strong saw the accident and turned very white. He sent a policeman over to find out as much as possible about the man's condition, and a moment later he went over himself, accompanied by Commissioner Sheffield. The crowd applianded them act they entered the house. A moment later a priest who had been in the crowd entered the house, but he did not administer the last sacrament, as it was not believed that the injured man was in immediate danger of dying.

As Mayor Strong came out of the house there was a loud shout from the vicinity of Seventy-seventh street, and the report ran down the line that a man had fallen from a tree and been killed. A moment later six men, one of whom bore a remarkable resemblance in face, figure, and dress to the Mayor, came down the street bearing a limp figure, which they carried into the house where the injured ifreman lay. It was said that it was the man who had fallen from the tree, but this was a mistake. It was a woman who had fainted on seeing Curley fall. She soon recovered and went away. The acci-

the wife of Thurlow Weed Barnes.
For the past five years Mr. Morris has been best known through his connection with the turf and as the owner of Morris Park. His wealth is estimated at between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000. For several years his stable has been one of the largest on the American turf, and his racing stud has been one of the most extensive in the country. His net winnings from stakes and purses have averaged at least \$190,000 a year, and in 1892 Morris Park was assessed at \$2,000,000. Some idea of Mr. Morris's work as a breeder of racelorses was shown by the fact that in one week in 1892 be put sixty two-year-olds in training. His ranch in Texas consists of 40,000 acres, and there are more than 300 theroughbred mares and a dozen stallions there. Un to a few years ago he lived like a prince, and maintained no less than nine expensive and luxurious establishments in this country and Europe. He has a magnificent home in Throag's Neck three others in Boston. Bar Harbor, and New Orleans, a shooting box in Louisiana, and the ranch in Texas, where he now lies so fill; racing establishments, and breeding farms in Maryland, England, and a house in Hanover, Germany. Of late years he has lived quietly, spending his time between his Throag's Neck home and his residence in New Orleans.

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Mr. Morris has always feared apoplexy and has frequently expressed the belief that death would come to him in that way. His holdings in racing properties, comprising Morris Park, his breeding studs in England, Maryland, and Texas, and his horses in training represent an outlay of probably \$5,000,000.

HARBOR PIRATES IN CHICAGO. A Colony of Fishermen Attacked and One of Their Number Killed.

CHICAGO, May 25 .- The little colony of fishermen who live at the breakwater on the northern harbor was attacked last night by an armed band of young harbor pirates. The gang pillaged and destroyed the property of the fishermen, and murdered Louis Klang, a feeble old man, by stabbing him in the heart. The mur-derers held a revolver to the head of his next door neighbor, and stones were thrown at Klang's shanty. When he came out they sprang on him. on him.

The police arrested some of the gang, who numbered seven, but the leaders, who were colored, have not been found. The only member of the colony who had the courage to defend home and property was a fishwife, who used a beer bottle for a weapon.

Biddle in the Tombs on a Charge of Fraud. Detective Trainor arrested yesterday a young man named Lewis La Costa Biddle at 982 Sixth William W. Maddock, a druggist, of 119th William W. Maddock, a druggist, of 119th street and St. Nicholas avenue. He alleges that Biddle obtained \$11,195.50 under false representations. Maddock formerly kept a drug store at Forty-first street and Broadway, but failed recently, and lays it to Biddle. Biddle was committed to the Tombs. He says that he and Maddock went into partnership to speculate on the races, and that the money was lost in that manner.

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A RATTLING RACE AT PARKWAY. Morgan's Jube Defents Green B, and Lucky Baldwin,

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There was old-fashloned horse racing on both sides of the King's Highway, in Gravesend, yesterday, for while the runners were at it on the grounds of the Brooklyn Jockey Club the followers of trotting just across the road, at the half-mile track of the Parkway Driving Club. were throwing up their hats and cheering the rousing finishes in a great race between three local road horses.
Such a close, exciting contest as that between

Jube, Green B., and Lucky Baidwin has not been seen in many a day on the Parkway track or on any other trotting course in the neighbor bood of New York. Jube's rattling brush with E. T. Bedford's fast mare Wands, a week ago, in which Mr. Morgan's trotter showed that he could give the Piedmont mare a stubborn argument if not a beating, made him the choice of the trio that started in the sweepstakes yesterday, and it was even money on his chance against the field. Arthur made his drive a bit late in the opening heat, and the favorite missed the mark by a narrow margin at the finish, Lucky Baldwin winning in 2:25%. The next heat was a rousing one between these two, but again the chestnut horse landed first at the wire by a short neck in 2:2519. Nearly everybody now conceded the money and the glory to Lucky Baldwin, but when John Driscoll made his drive from the rear with Green B. just before the horses reached the three-quarter pole, Nichols's trotter left his stride, and a moment later the pace got too hot for Jube, and he, too, went into the air. Both horses came again with a wet sail in the homestretch, and it was anybody's heat to within ten yards of the wire, where Jube went within ten yards of the wire, where Jube went up again, and the two others fought it out heads apart in a finish that brought cheers from the club house and grand stand. John Driscoll has driven many good races, but he never rallied and steadied a trotter more brilliantly than in the last quarter of this heat. Green R. has an ailing leg, and it required an artist to keep him trotting without going to a break when the injured tendon bothered him. This was what Driscoll had to contend with, and, although he handed the third heat, it finally cost him the race. Jube, young, sound, and a steadygoing horse with a lot of speed, driven with great judgment and skill by T. L. Arthur, squeezed in first by a nose in the next three heats, with Green B. always dangerous, and Lucky Baldwin by no means out of the hunt. The time of Jube's first winning heat is a new record for the resolute son of Stillman.

Between the heats of the sween-takes race Charles Bedford drove the ever-reliable trotter, Gillette, a mile in 2:14%, coming the last half in 1:00%. Only one trotter has beaten this performance in public this season, and Gretchen's mile in 2:144 at Baltimore was trotted on a mile track. F. N. Lawrence volced the belief of many New York horsemen yesterday when he said: "I doubt whether there is a horse in training that can defeat Gillette on the Parkway track." Some of the good ones may have a chance to try it a month hence in the 2:12 race to be trotted at the Parkway spring meeting. Ed Moser drove Phillips Phoenix's fast mare Elko, by Lumps, a half mile in 1:08%, and Charles Moser sent F. N. Lawrence's Witch Hazel, by Brown Wikkes, two halves in 1:10% each. Summary: up again, and the two others fought it out heads

Penclope Reels Off Three Fast Heats. BALTIMORE, May 25 .- Penelope was the surprise at ico to-day. National was the choice for the 2:20 trot, and sold for \$20 in pools of \$53. Penelop reckoned in the betting, but proved too fast for her company. She recied off three miles in faulties atylo and won as she pleased. Prairie Lily was a 5 to 3 favorite over the field for the pace, and after fluish-ing a poor fourth in the first heat, clearly outfooted the field in the three succeeding miles. Summaries:

the field in the three succeeding miles. Summa 2:20 class, trotting; purse \$500.

Penelope, b. m., by McEwen-Elnora, by Tennessee Wilkes (Meglins).

Penululid, gr. m. (McCarrity).

Jacksonian, b. g. (Tyson).

Charley H., gr. g. (Harnes).

Verlinda H., gr. m. (Greenway).

National, b. s. (M. Demarest).

Rickburne, ch. m. (Fear, fr.).

Nellie D., b. m. (Hatch).

Uncle Josh, ro. s. (Payne).

Hundley, ch. g. (Clayton).

Time—2:174, 2:174, 2:174, 2:1754. 2:18 class, pacing; purse \$500.
Prairie Lily, b. m., by Adrian Wilkes, dam
by Hamdalla [Boyce].
Dr. Wood, ch. s. (McCrory).
Miss Woodford, b. m. (Greenway).
Flying Nig, bilk, g. (Parherry).
Dalsy Dean, b. m. (Grean).

Halma in the West is not a wild statement. Augustus Strauss entered Myrtle Harkness and Amanda in the stake race and captured first and third money. Sum-maries: maries: First Race-Selling; slx furlongs. Santa Maria, 93 Newcom), 5 to 1, won; Peytonia, 98 (R. Williams), 3 o 1, second; Contest, 100 (N. Morris), 30 to 1, third. First. 1:15%. e, 1:15)s.

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second; Orinda, 90 (Perkins), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1416. Third Race—One mile and a sixteenth. Lissak, 98 (Ferkins), 1 to 5, won; Nay 8, 118 (Thorpe), 10 to 1, second: Cattaraugus, 100 (Turner), 6 to 1, third. Third Race—One mile and a sixteenth. Lissak, 98 Orekins), 10.5, won. Ray S. 118 (Thorpe), 10 to 1, second: Cattaraugus, 100 (Turner), 0 to 1, third. Time, 1484;
Fourth Bace—Clipsetta Stakes, for two-year-old files, five furiongs, value to winner, £4.850. Myrtio Harkness, 140 ft. Wittiams, 7 to 5, won; Altedena, 108 (Canyton), 12 to 1, second; Amanda, 120 (Turner), 7 to 5, third. Time, 1.024;
Fifth Race—Two-year-olds; five-eighths of a mile, Ramero, 110 (Perkins), 4 to 5, won; Squire 6, 107 (Thorpe), 8 to 1, second; Damien, 110 (Clayton), 5 to 1, second; Damien, 110 (Clayton), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1.085;
Sixth Race—Selling; six furiongs, Jennie W. 105 (Martin), 8 to 1, won; The Princess, 99 (Luther), 10 to 1, second: Glen Lilly, 105 (Bergen), 2 to 1, third. Time, 1156. Winners of the Ontario Jockey Club Races,

TORONTO, May 25.—The summaries of the Ontar o Jockey Club's races to-lay are as follows:
First Race-Norway Purse: three quarters of a mile.
Morpheus, 119: Brookey, 1 to 5, won: Radiator, 114
(Finth, 4 to 1, second; Kapanga cott, 117 (Snedeker),
8 to 1, third. Time, 1:179,
8 second Race—Tyro Purse; handleap; for two-yearolds: nye-eighths of a mile. Fifted, 120 (Knapp. 4 to
1, won: Kilrona, 100 (Connelly: 15 to 1, second;
Fiorence Colville, 100 (Lendrum), 3 to 1, third. Time,
1:0516. 1:05\(\frac{1}{2}\). Third Race—Dominion Handicap: one and one-quarter miles. Foam, 100 (Nutt., 4 to 5, won, Bonniefield, 110 (Brooker), 6 to 5, second. Time, 2:15\(\frac{1}{2}\). Fourth Race—The steeplechase: (wo and one half miles, twice over water jump. Frince tharile, 175 (Cream), 2 to 1, won; Venus, 150 (Hayes), 7 to 5, accord; George C., 175 (Campbell), 5 to 1, third. Time, 6:57. 6.357.

Fifth Race Violet Handicap: three-year-olds and upward; one and one-eighth miles. Lord Seison, 105 (Knapp), 4 to 1, won; Coquette, 11s (Filmt, 6 to 5, second; Laurel, 106 (White, 20 to 1, third. Time, second; Laurel, 106 (White), act as a short course, 1504. Bace Maiden steplechase, short course, about one and a half miles. Eppleworth, 139 (Moxley), 10 to 1, won; Ebils, 101 (Gallagher), 6 to 1, ascond (Sarwood, 15) (Mattocks, 7 to 5, third. Time, 4,504); Beventh Hace—Consolation; seiling; one mile. Kil. Renney, 115 (Lendrum), 2 to 5, won; Merry Duke, 110 (Lynch), 10 to 1, second; Nockbarren, 107 (Knapp), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1; 61.

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Mucalester and Weich Out-shoot Them in the Match at Riverton,

PHILADELPHIA, May 25.-Philadelphia and New York cracks at the pigeon-shooting game met again to-day at the Eliverton Gun Club grounds, and after a hard-fought contest the men from Gotham were vanquished. The match was really a team race. Charley Macalester and Robert A. Welch of this city, representing the Riverton Gun Club, against the famous New York pair, George Work and J. Knapp.

From the very start, almost, the Philadel-phians took the lead, holding it through to the finish and winning easily by seven birds. The conditions of the match were 100 birds to each man, 30 yards rise and 50 yards boundary, the the stakes being \$200 a side.

A clouded sky aided the shooters by obscuring the sunlight, but a hazy atmosphere made the light anything but good. The wind blew from the northeast in fitful puffs, at times very strong, then at others dying away almost to a dead calm. Owing to this many of the birds were missed. Nearly one-half the birds were straight or half quartering incomers, while a majority of the balance were tossers of the most uncertain kind, and the shooters were kept guessing on almost every bird. A big crowd accompanied the contestants to the grounds on the 10:30 A. M. train from Philadelphia, among them being nearly all of the well-known amateur cracks from both cities. New York stock was booming, and Work and Knapp ruled at slight odds, with more offers than takers.

At the grounds little time was lost in preparing for the match. George Work buttoned up ing for the match. George Work buttoned up his Norfelk jacket, Kanpp left off cufts and collar, We chigot into a big sweater, and Macalester adjusted his time under a slouch lat. Then Lewis A. Flanigan was selected referce, and after the men, had shot at a few byes. Macalester was called to open the big race. He grassed an easy left quarterer, and Knapp followed with a similar chaik. Weich stouped a tracer, and Work then finished an incomer. So far all was even, but Macalester's second bird tooled him, and so did Welch's, ending the second round with New York two ahead.

Long Island Amateur Rowing Association. The annual meeting of the Long Island Amateur Rowing Association was held on Friday evening at the rooms of the Seawanbaka Boat Club in Williamsburgh. The following clubs were represented by delegates: Varuna B. C. of Brooklyn, Nereus R. C. of Flushing, Flushing B. C., Nautflus B. C. of Bay Ridge, and Seawan-

H. C., Nautflus H. C. of Bay Ridge, and Scawan-inka B. C. of Brooklyn.

The present officers were reflected as follows:
President, Judge James G. Le. Varona B. C.;
V. e-President, W. F. W Da X. Nercus R. C.;
Secretary and Treasurer, Leed, Seawan-haka E. C. The Secretary's report showed the association to be in a flourishing condition, and that the regata of 1894 was a success linan-cially. The Regata Committee met directly after the regular meeting and adopted the rules of the National Association. The samual re-gatta will be held on Flushing Bay on Saturday, July 13.

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